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Mr. Johnny Reising U.S. Department of Energy, Fernald Area Office P.O. Box 538705 Cincinnati, OH 45253-8705

RE: Responses to OEPA Comments - Lime Sludge Ponds IRDP

Dear Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed FDF's submittal "Analytical Summary for Proposed Lime Sludge Pond Construction Laydown Area South of K-65 Trench." Based upon review of this document, Ohio EPA concurs with the response to Comment #1 outlined in DOE's August 11, 1999 submittal, "Responses to Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comments on the Draft Integrated Remedial Design Package for Area 3 Lime Sludge Ponds". Ohio EPA concurs with the plan to utilize the area for construction support/laydown following placement of geotextile and 6 inches of gravel.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6466.

Sincerely,

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